





Pregnancy & Glomerular Disease

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Happy Family





Healthy Pregnancy

Falling birth rate: Demographic transition or disaster?

Declining Birth Rates

The worldwide fertility rates for developed and developing countries are dropping and will stagnate.

One quarter of European Union now has a declining population

Low birth rates will result in shifting of talent base from established geographies (Europe as stated in slide) to emerging geographies giving rise to more remote work

FORECAST

1950-55 65-70 80-85 95-2000 2010-15 25-30 45-50

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- 131.4 million births per year
- 360,000 births per day
- 15,000 births each hour
- 250 births each minute
- 4 births each second of every day**



Physiological process with possible serious complications

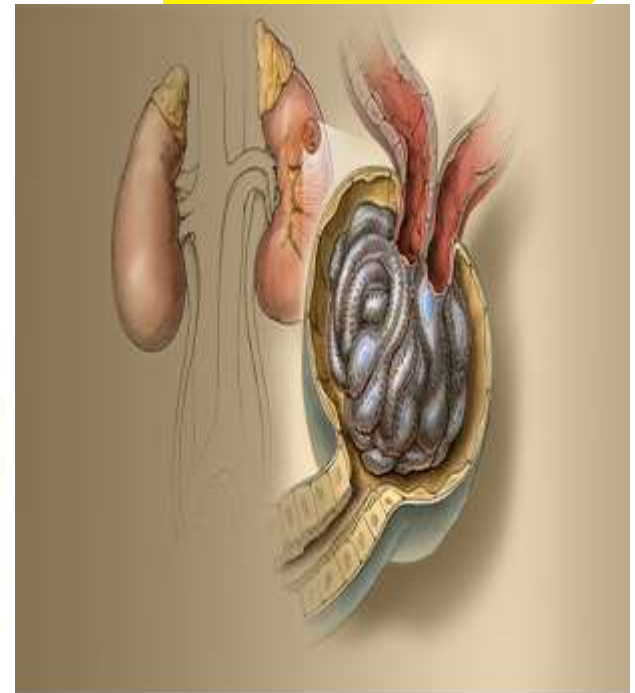
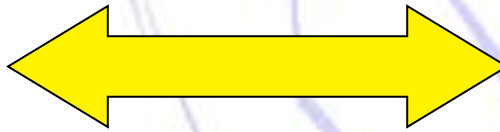


The Whole Family Suffers



Challenging Situation

Pregnancy



Agenda



- What is the **physiology** of normal pregnancy?
- Does Pregnancy **Induce** a glomerular injury ?
- What is the **Effect** of pregnancy on glomerular diseases ?
- What is the **Outcome** of pregnancy in the context of glomerular disease ?
- What are the **Recommendations** ?

Physiological review



Renal Changes During Pregnancy



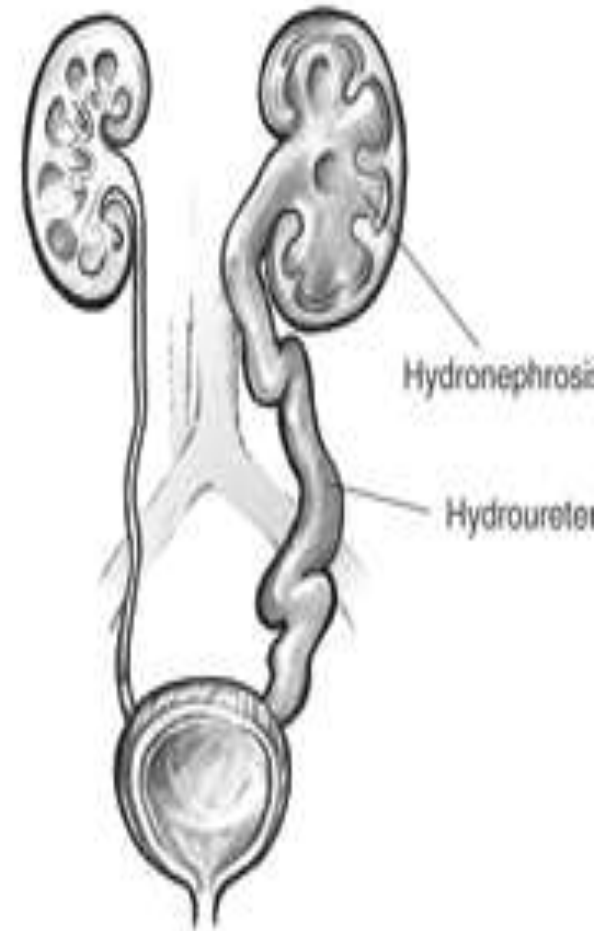
Anatomical changes

Functional Changes

Physiology Review

Anatomical changes

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**Hydronephrosis in
normal pregnancy.**

Intravenous
urogram at 36
weeks' gestation.

Physiology Review

Heamodynamic and Glomeruler filtration changes

- ↑ COP
- ↓ Sytemic vascular resistance
- ↓ Mean arterial pressure
- ↑ RPF & GFR
- ↓ plasma osmolality and serum Na

Functional Changes

Renal Changes During Pregnancy

Changes in Some Common Indices During Pregnancy

	Nonpregnant	Pregnant
Hematocrit (%)	41	33
Plasma protein (g/dl)	7.0	6.0
Plasma osmolality (mOsm/kg)	285	275
Plasma sodium (mmol/l)	140	135
Plasma creatinine (mg/dl, $\mu\text{mol/l}$)	0.8 (73)	0.5 (45)
Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dl)	12.7	9.3
Plasma urea (mmol/l)	4.5	3.3
pH units	7.40	7.44
Arterial PCO ₂ (mm Hg)	40	30
Plasma bicarbonate (mmol/l)	25	20
Plasma uric acid (mg/dl, $\mu\text{mol/l}$)	4.0 (240)	3.2 (190) early 4.3 (260) late
Systolic BP (mm Hg)	115	105
Diastolic BP (mm Hg)	70	60

Functional Changes



Renal Changes During Pregnancy



Clinical Implications

Anatomical changes

Functional Changes

Clinical Implications

Urinary frequency

Incontinence

Nocturia

Dependent edema





Clinical Implications

After Delivery

Anatomical Changes

Functional Changes

Glomerular disease and pregnancy

Denovo Pregnancy Related

Denovo Pregnancy Unrelated

Preexisting

Does Prenancy induce a glomeruler injury ?



The Glomerular Injury of Preeclampsia

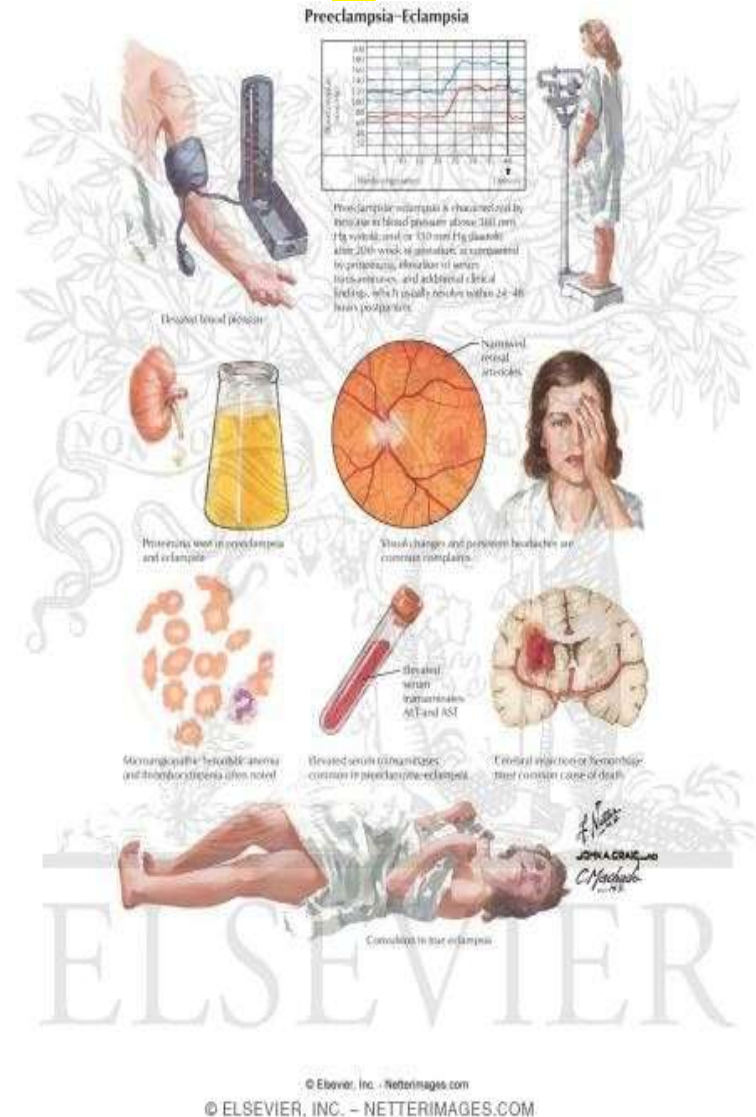
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preeclampsia

Preeclampsia (PE) is a pregnancy-specific and multisystemic disorder characterized by the onset of high blood pressure and proteinuria which develop after 20th week of gestation.





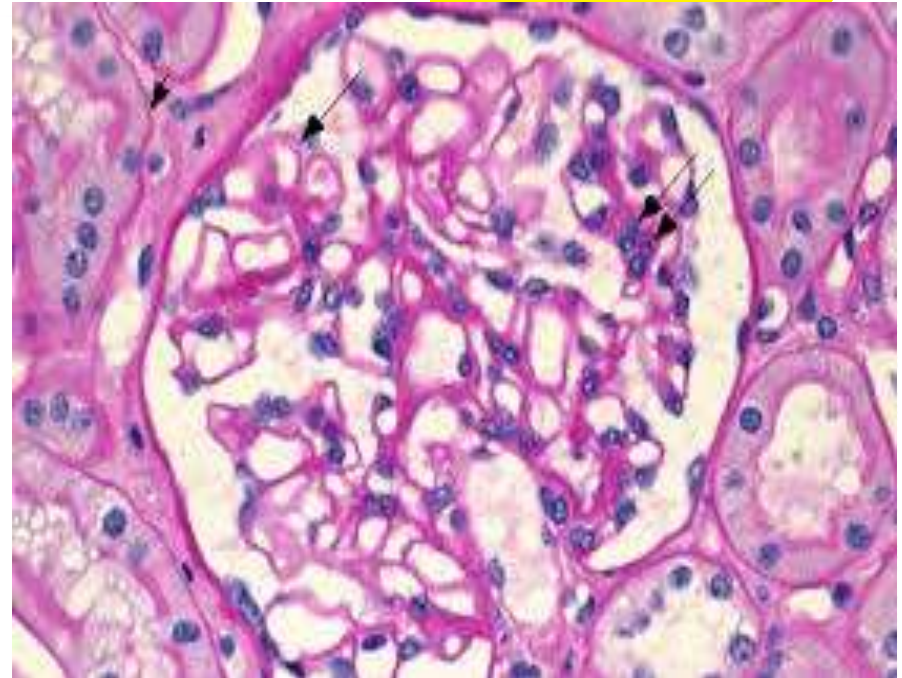
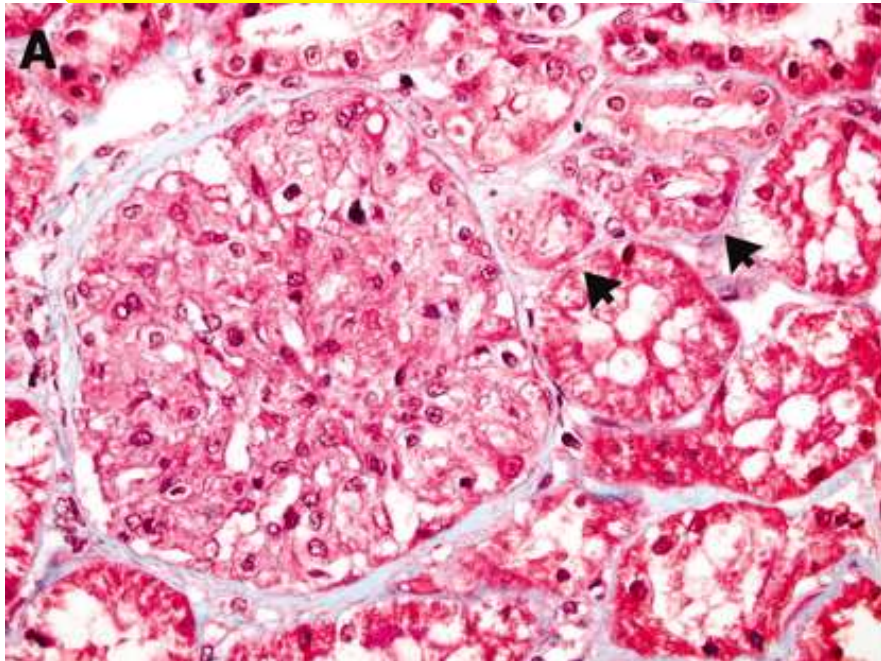
first to use the term, "**eclampsia**", a Greek word meaning "**lightning**", perhaps it refers to a **sudden** and **unexpected convulsions** that may arise in the pregnant ladies.



preeclampsia

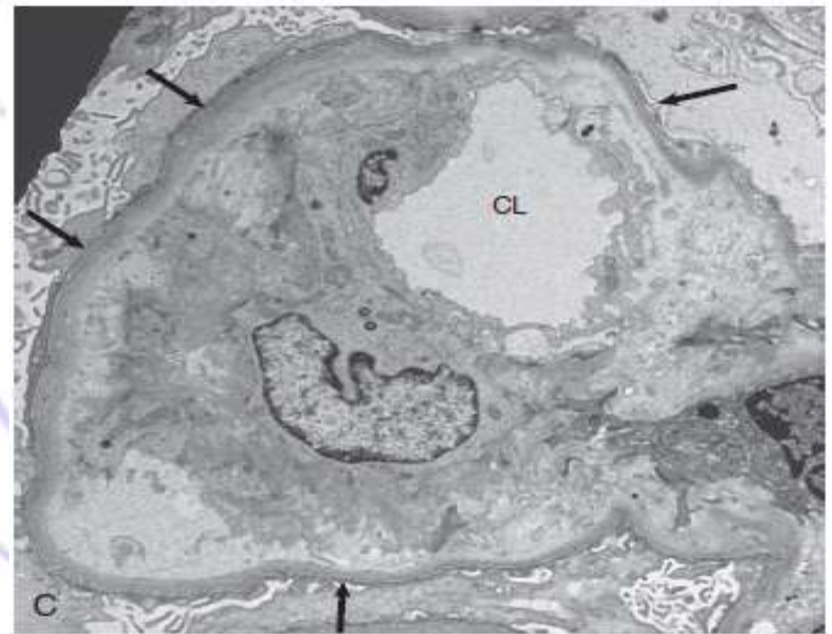
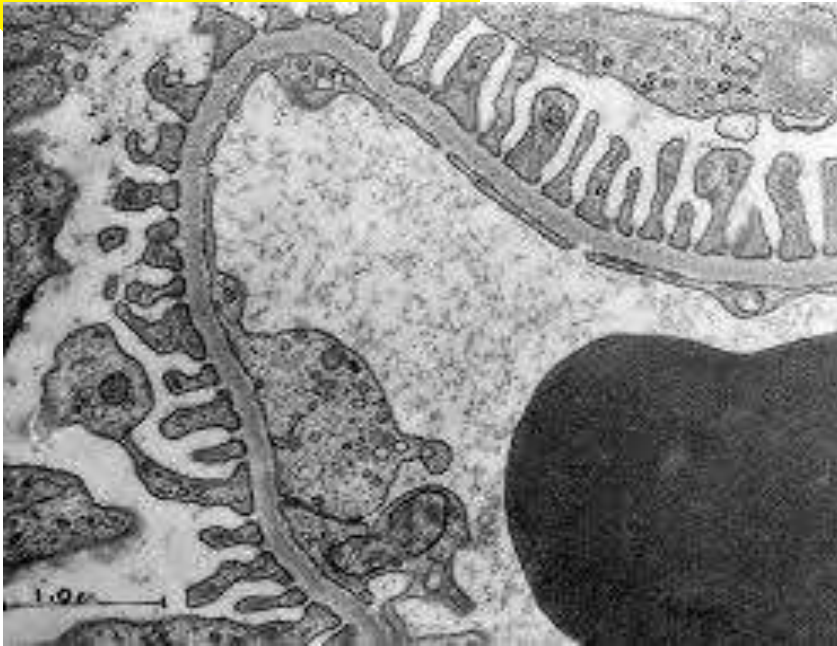
- preeclampsia complicate up to **8%** of pregnancies.
 - The most **frequent** renal complication of pregnancy
- So, some authors considere it as the ***most common glomerular*** disease worldwide .

Glomerular endotheliosis **LM**



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Glomerular endotheliosis *EM*



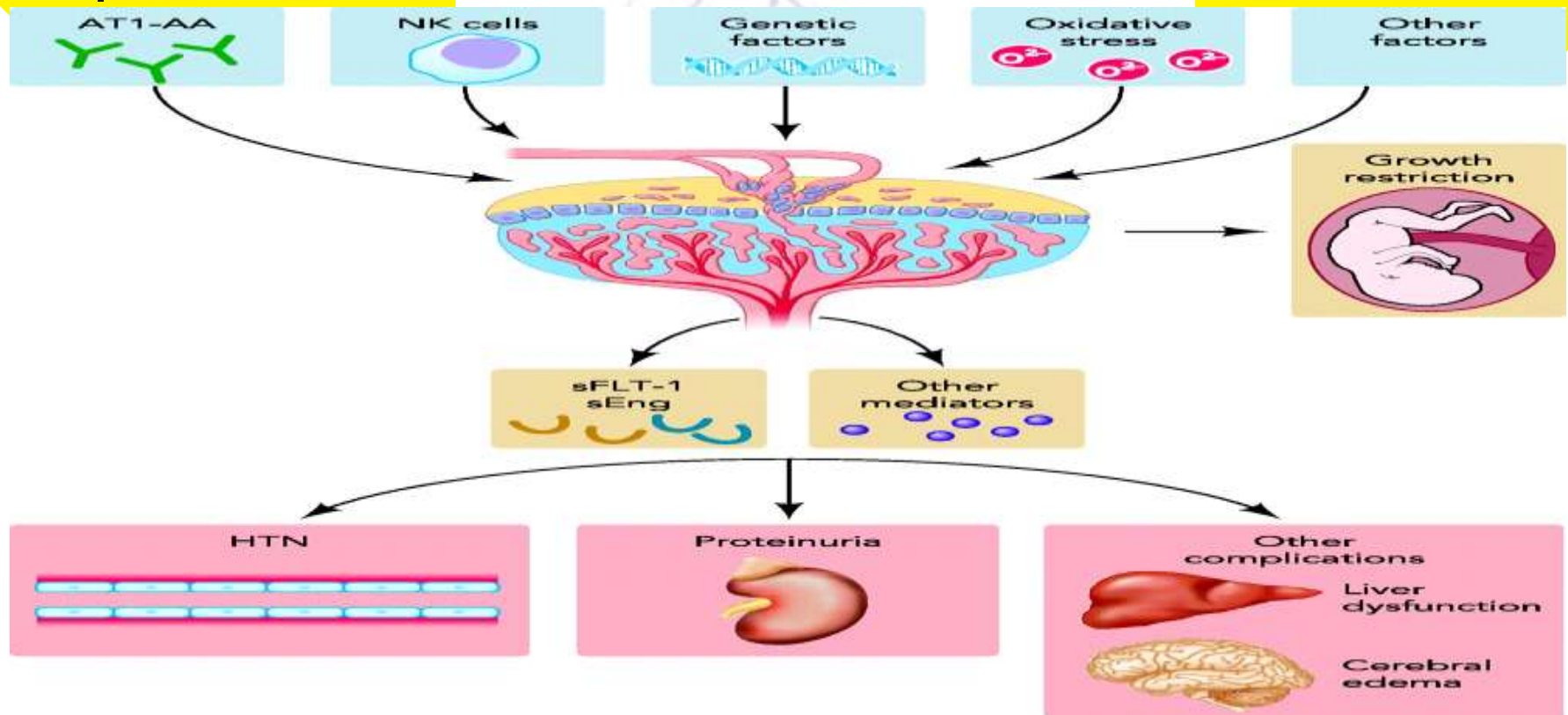
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Pathogenesis

- One of the **great mysteries** in the field of OB.
- It is still labeled a “**disease of theories**”.

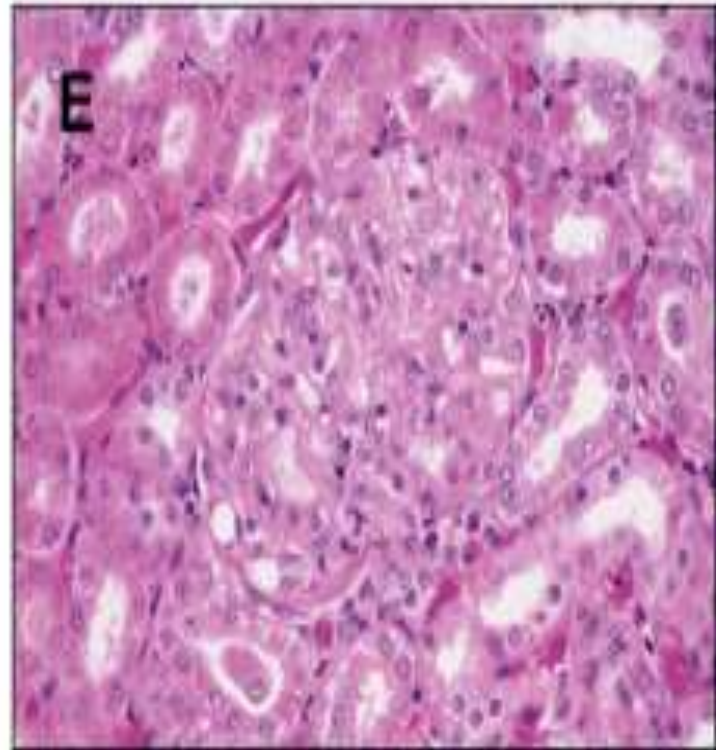
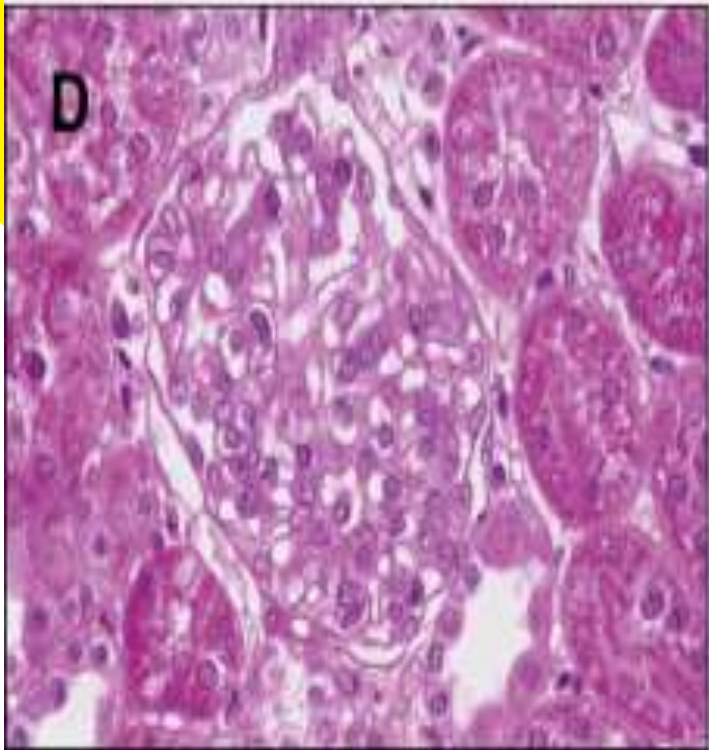


Abnormal placentation



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Rat glomerular endotheliosis



Kidney International vol 7,pp 2101-2113, (2005

Glomerular endotheliosis in normal pregnancy and pre-eclampsia

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Table 2. Light microscopy; degree of endotheliosis. Fischer's exact test reveals significant differences between women with proteinuric hypertension and controls ($P < 0.00001$), women with non-proteinuric hypertension and controls ($P = 0.02$) and between the two hypertensive groups ($P = 0.01$).

Semiquantified score	Healthy controls ($n = 12$)	Hypertensive women ($n = 35$)	
		Non-proteinuric hypertension ($n = 8$)	Proteinuric hypertension ($n = 27$)
0	7	0	0
1	4	4	1
2	1	2	12
3	0	2	14

Pre-eclampsia may be the extreme of the adaptational process to normal pregnancy, rather than a separate abnormal condition



Case report



Steroid-Responsive Idiopathic Glomerular Capillary Endotheliosis: Case Report and Literature Review

Idiopathic glomerular capillary endotheliosis

may be a **newly recognized** glomerular entity
potentially responsive to steroid and
cytotoxic regimens.

American Journal of Kidney Diseases , volume 45,issue 6(2005)

Fate of preeclampsia



**Pre-
eclampsia**

later **CKD**

Association between hypertensive disorders during pregnancy and end-stage renal disease: a population-based study

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See related commentary by Spaan and Brown on page 199 and at www.cmaj.ca/lookup/doi/10.1503/cmaj.130007

ABSTRACT

Background: Studies into the association between hypertensive disorders during pregnancy and end-stage renal disease are limited. We investigated the risk of end-stage renal disease after delivery among women with hypertensive disorders during pregnancy.

Methods: We used insurance claims data from 1998 to 2009 to identify 26 651 women aged 19–40 years old who experienced hypertensive disorders during pregnancy; these women had no history of hypertension, diabetes, kidney disease or lupus. We also randomly selected 213 397 women without hypertensive disorders during pregnancy as a comparison cohort; the frequency was matched by age and index year of pregnancy. We compared the incidence of end-stage renal disease in the 2 cohorts. We calculated hazard ratios (HRs) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) after controlling for demographic and clinical factors.

Results: Women with hypertensive disorders during pregnancy had a greater risk of chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease, with adjusted HRs of 9.38 (95% CI 7.09–12.4) and 12.4 (95% CI 8.54–18.0), respectively, after controlling for urban status, coronary artery disease, congestive heart failure, hyperlipidemia and abortion. The HR for end-stage renal disease was 2.72 (95% CI 1.76–4.22) after we also controlled for hypertension and diabetes. Women with preeclampsia or eclampsia had a higher risk of end-stage renal disease (adjusted HR 14.0, 95% CI 9.43–20.7) than women who had gestational hypertension only (adjusted HR 9.03, 95% CI 5.20–15.7).

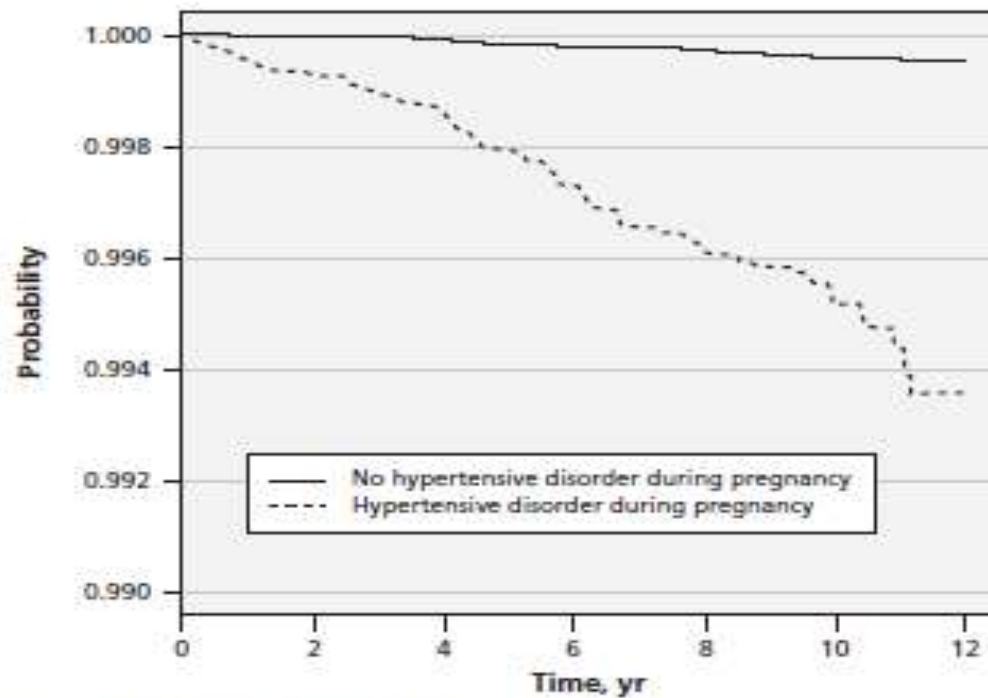
Interpretation: Women with hypertensive disorders during pregnancy were at a high risk of end-stage renal disease. The risk was much greater for women who had preeclampsia or eclampsia than those who had gestational hypertension only.

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No hypertensive disorder during pregnancy						
No. at risk	213 397	179 347	145 072	113 185	82 079	43 202
No. of events	3	11	14	8	7	2
Hypertensive disorder during pregnancy						
No. at risk	26 651	22 377	18 147	14 170	10 231	5 344
No. of events	18	13	22	15	6	5

Figure 1: Estimated proportion of women without end-stage renal disease among those with and without hypertensive disorders during pregnancy. Log-rank test, $p < 0.001$.

Preeclampsia and the Risk of End-Stage Renal Disease

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ABSTRACT

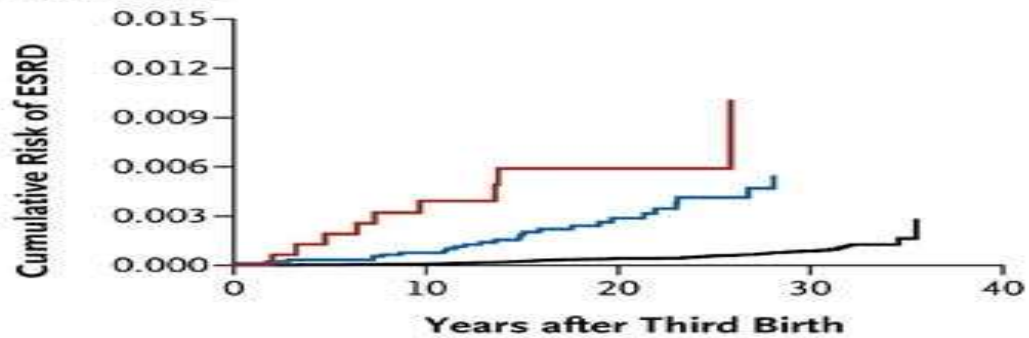
BACKGROUND

It is unknown whether preeclampsia is a risk marker for subsequent end-stage renal disease (ESRD).

METHODS

We linked data from the Medical Birth Registry of Norway, which contains data on all births in Norway since 1967, with data from the Norwegian Renal Registry, which contains data on all patients receiving a diagnosis of end-stage renal disease (ESRD) since 1980, to assess the association between preeclampsia in one or more pregnancies and the subsequent development of ESRD. The study population consisted of women who had had a first singleton birth between 1967 and 1991; we included data from up to three pregnancies.

C After Three Pregnancies



— Preeclampsia in Two or More Pregnancies

No. at risk	1498	1359	516	102	0
No. with ESRD	0	6	8	9	9

— Preeclampsia in One Pregnancy

No. at risk	8708	8638	4020	974	0
No. with ESRD	0	7	20	26	26

— No Preeclampsia

No. at risk	151,346	166,165	86,389	23,000	0
No. with ESRD	0	14	56	76	84

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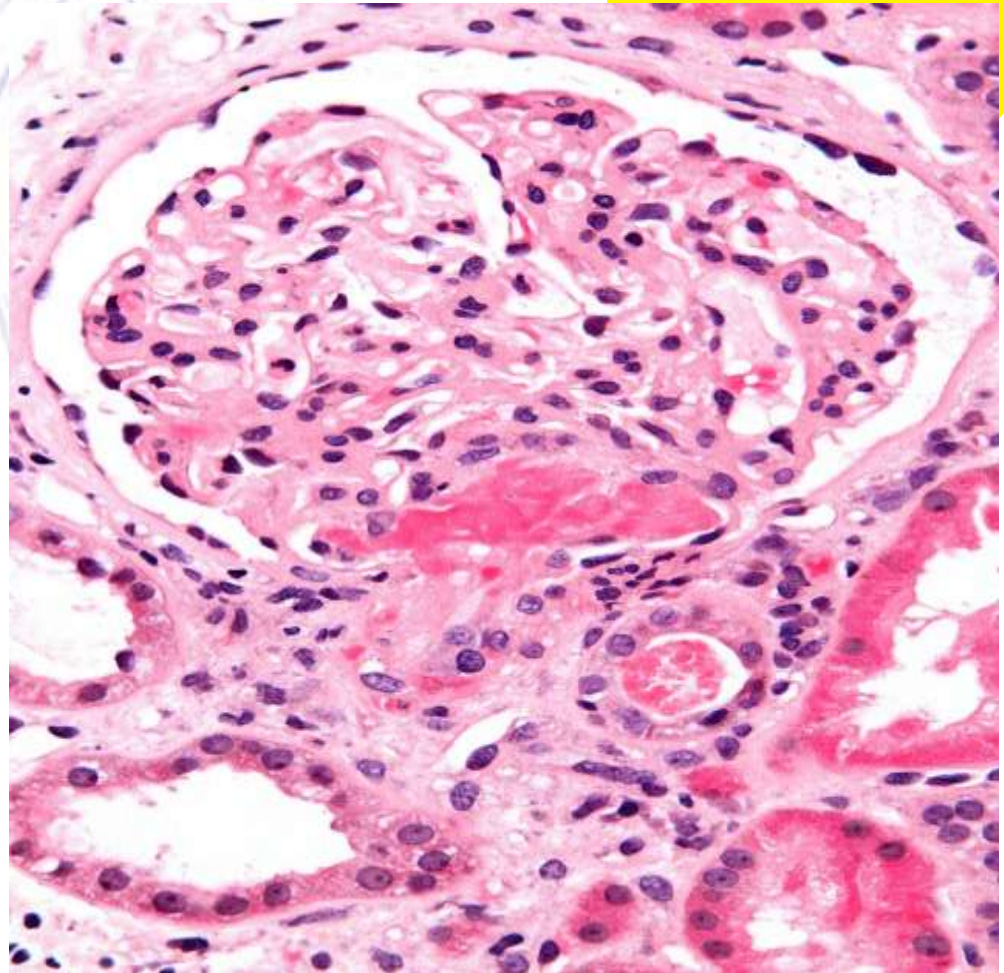
Pregnancy

**Microangiopathic
disorders**

Microangiopathies in pregnancy

AKI, and share several clinical features which pose diagnostic challenges to the clinician.

- ***HELLP***
- ***AFLP***
- ***TTP***
- ***HUS***
- ***CAPLS***



Research Article

Pregnancy Associated Thrombotic Microangiopathies Overlap Syndrome: 3 Years Experience at a Tertiary Hospital

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- HELLP syndrome
- TTP
- HUS

Conclusion: Thrombotic microangiopathies during pregnancy can hardly be differentiated from case of HELLP\$, AFLP and ICP. These disorders should be considered a continuum and a spectrum of a single disorder. Early termination of pregnancy with the start of plasma exchange, pulsed steroid therapy and plasmapheresis can result in marked reduction of maternal mortality in such cases.

Comparison of Clinical and Laboratory Characteristics of TTP/HUS, HELLP and AFLP

Clinical Feature	HUS/TTP	HELLP	AFLP
Hemolytic anemia	+++	++	+/-
Thrombocytopenia	+++	++	+/-
Coagulopathy	-	+/-	+
CNS symptoms	++	+/-	+/-
Renal failure	+++	+	++
Hypertension	+/-	+++	+/-
Proteinuria	+/-	++	+/-
Elevated AST	+/-	++	+++
Elevated bilirubin	++	+	+++
Anemia	++	+	+/-
Blood ammonia	Normal	Normal	High
Effect of delivery on disease	None	Recovery	Recovery
Management	Plasma exchange	Supportive care, delivery	Supportive care, delivery

EXTENDED REPORT

Catastrophic antiphospholipid syndrome during pregnancy and puerperium: maternal and fetal characteristics of 15 cases



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7 of 15 patients had systemic lupus. The CAPS occurred during pregnancy in 8 patients, postpartum in 6 patients and 1 case after currate of featal death

The kidneys, lungs and brain were the most commonly affected organs

Mortality rate was high for the mothers (46%), and for the babies (54%).

Pregnancy Unrelated Glomerular Diseases





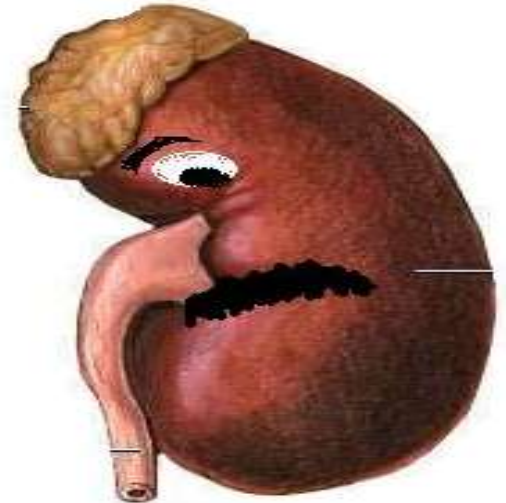
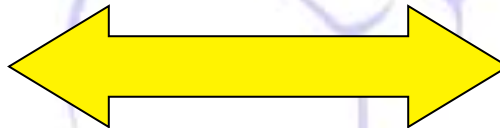
Glomerular diseases

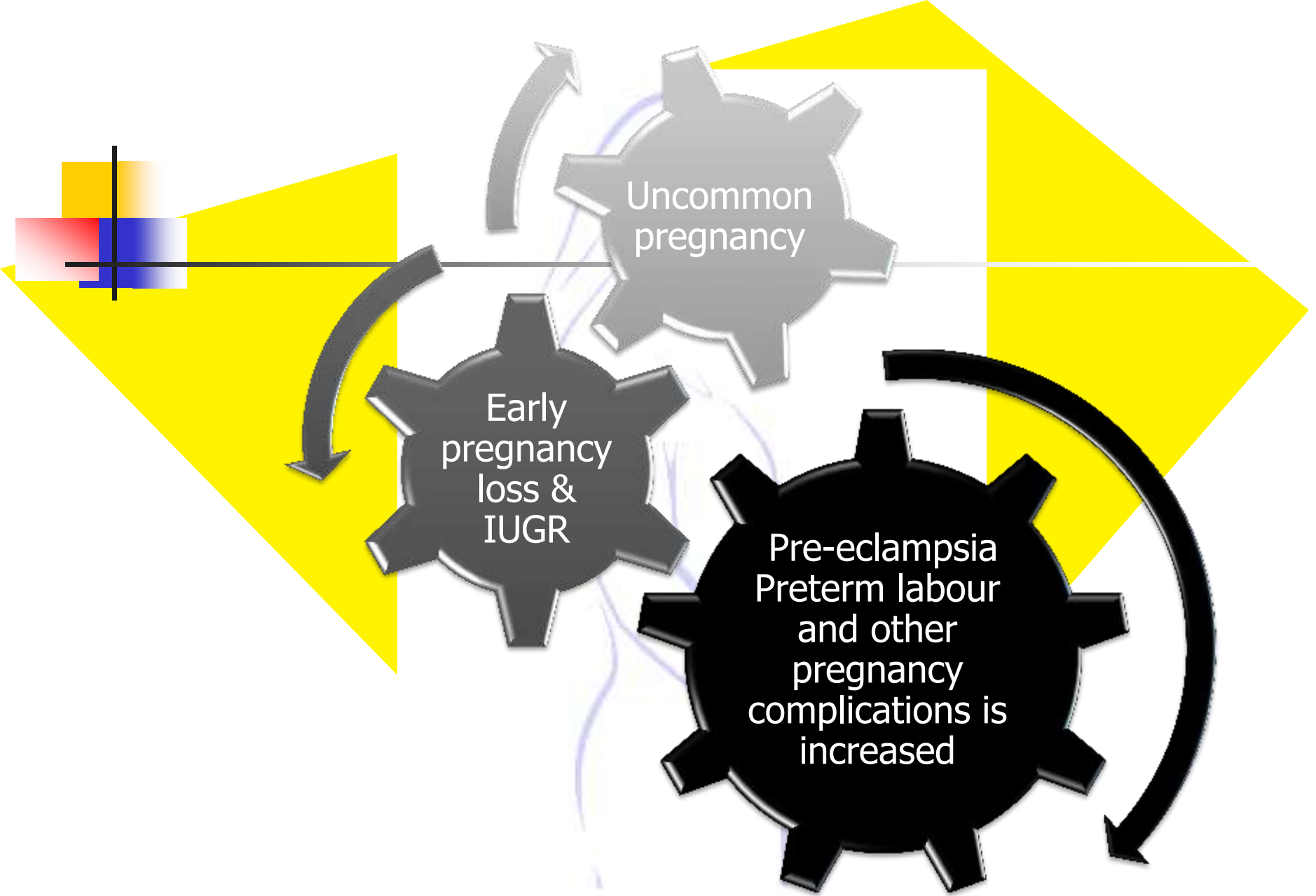
Glomerular disease may be active or quiescent at conception, may flare during pregnancy, or may occur de novo during pregnancy.

- ❑ IgA Nephropathy
- ❑ Focal Segmental Glomerulosclerosis
- ❑ Minimal Change Disease
- ❑ Membranous Nephropathy
- ❑ Diabetic Nephropathy
- ❑ Lupus Nephritis
- ❑ Systemic Sclerosis/Scleroderma
- ❑ Vasculitides

Complex Relationship

- * The effects of pregnancy on maternal disease activity and progression
- * The impact of the disease and related medical therapy on pregnancy outcome.





Worsening
proteinuria

Deterioration of
kidney function

Loss of kidney
function



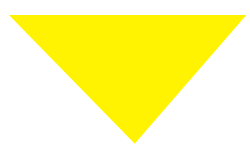
Factors predicting the outcome



The key pre-pregnancy factors predicting outcome include:

- Degree of renal impairment.
- Control of hypertension before pregnancy.
- Degree of proteinuria.
- Disease activity prior to conception

In most of circumstances, these features are more important than the mother's specific renal disease in predicting outcome.



Prognosis of CKD by GFR and albuminuria category

Prognosis of CKD by GFR and Albuminuria Categories: KDIGO 2012

Persistent albuminuria categories Description and range		
A1	A2	A3
Normal to mildly increased	Moderately increased	Severely increased
<30 mg/g <3 mg/mmol	30-300 mg/g 3-30 mg/mmol	>300 mg/g >30 mg/mmol

GFR categories (mL/min/1.73 m ²) Description and range	G1	Normal or high	≥90	Green	Yellow	Orange
	G2	Mildly decreased	60-89	Green	Yellow	Orange
	G3a	Mildly to moderately decreased	45-59	Yellow	Orange	Red
	G3b	Moderately to severely decreased	30-44	Orange	Red	Red
	G4	Severely decreased	15-29	Red	Red	Red
	G5	Kidney failure	<15	Red	Red	Red

Green: low risk (if no other markers of kidney disease, no CKD); Yellow: moderately increased risk; Orange: high risk; Red, very high risk.

Renal Outcomes According to Pre-Pregnancy Serum Creatinine

Creatinine < 1.5 mg/dl (130 μ mol/l)

- Permanent loss of GFR in <10% of women
- Major determinant of ESRD progression is hypertension

Creatinine 1.5–2.5 mg/dl (130–220 μ mol/l)

- Decline or permanent loss of GFR in 30% of women
- Increased to 50% if uncontrolled hypertension
- 10% ESRD soon after pregnancy

Creatinine > 2.5 mg/dl (220 μ mol/l)

- Progression to ESRD highly likely during or soon after pregnancy

Fetal Outcomes According to Maternal Serum Creatinine Before Pregnancy

Outcomes after accounting for first-trimester miscarriage

Creatinine < 1.5 mg/dl (130 μ mol/l)

- Live births in >90% of women

Creatinine 1.5–2.5 mg/dl (130–220 μ mol/l)

- Live births in about 85% of women unless uncontrolled hypertension (MAP >105) at conception
- 60% prematurity - mainly iatrogenic (preeclampsia/fetal growth restriction)

Creatinine > 2.5 mg/dl (220 μ mol/l)

- Fetal loss high - estimates uncertain

Mother's specific renal disease



Successful pregnancy in primary glomerular disease

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66 pregnancies in 48 women They were: **MPGN** in 16 patients, **FSGS** in 13, **IgA** nephropathy in 10, **MN** in 7 and.

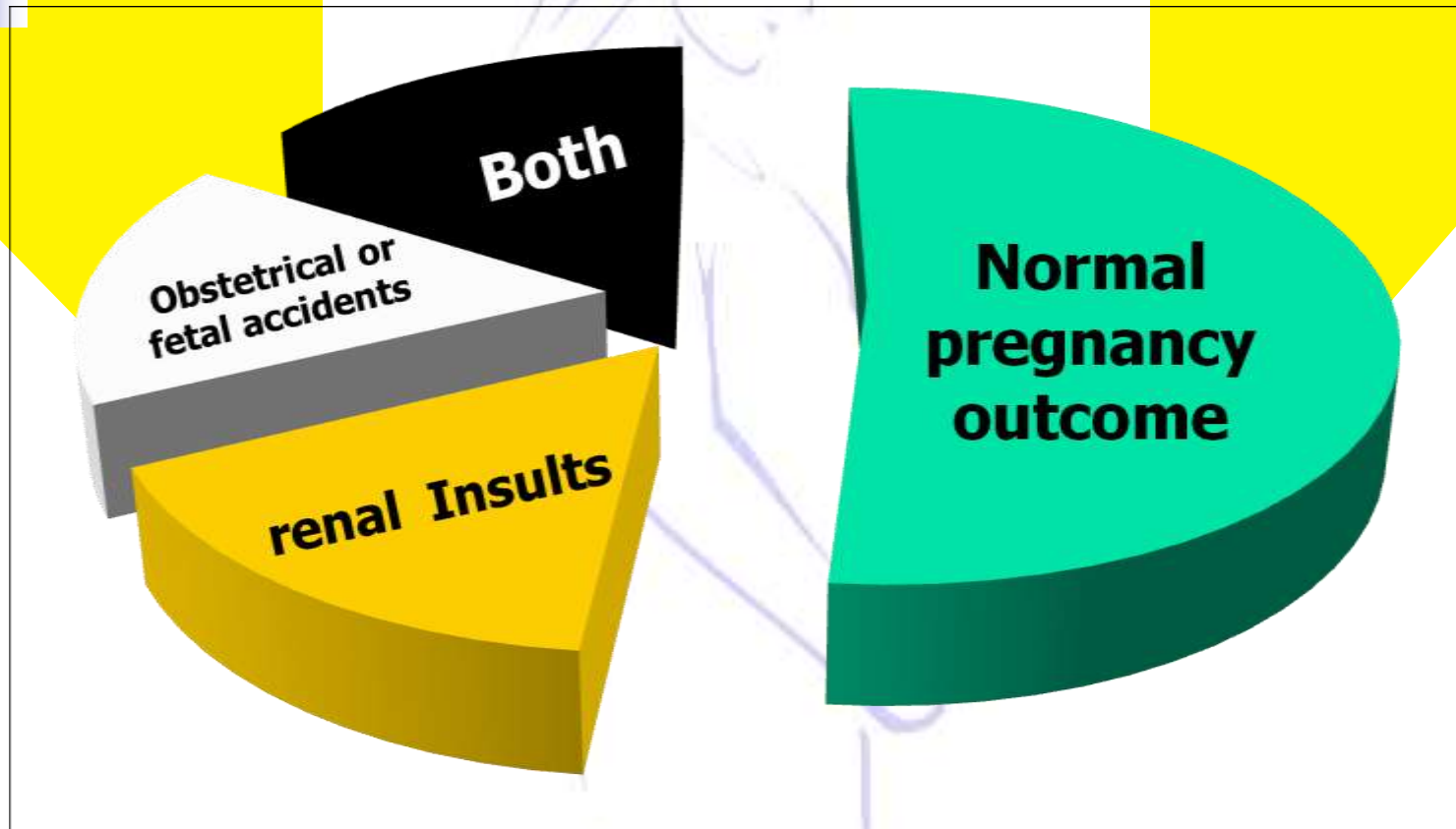
Women with membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis appeared to fare worse, and those with IgA nephropathy and membranous nephropathy better than the rest.

Pregnancy and natural history of glomerular disease

Glomerular disease and pregnancy. A study of 123 pregnancies in patients with primary and secondary glomerular diseases.

123 pregnancies in 86 patients with biopsy-proven glomerular diseases have been studied. In 35 women the onset of nephropathy occurred during pregnancy.

In most patients with glomerular D ..., pregnancy does not change its natural history



Renal function deteriorated in 10 of 86 cases during pregnancy. The deterioration was reversible in 6 and progressive in 4..

PREGNANCY IN DIABETES AND KIDNEY DISEASE

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SUMMARY

With appropriate multi-disciplinary team care, most women with diabetic nephropathy will have successful pregnancy outcomes; however, pregnancy complications are increased compared to non-diabetic individuals, particularly in those with poor glycaemic control. Women with more severe renal impairment, especially those with hypertension and proteinuria are at highest risk of worse pregnancy outcomes and deterioration in pre-existing renal function. Pre-pregnancy counselling should be offered to all women with diabetes in order to optimise diabetic care, and inform women of potential complications. Pregnancy is an indicator of long-term health, and may indicate important issues for the future management of women with diabetic nephropathy.

I am a Lupus pt.....

Can I still plan a pregnancy?

12.11: Systemic lupus and pregnancy

12.11.1: We suggest that women be counseled to delay pregnancy until a complete remission of LN has been achieved. (2D)



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Maternal and Fetal Outcomes in Pregnant Patients with Active Lupus Nephritis

58 patients **with LN** (A&Q) are Compared to **47** lupus patients **without LN**.
Pregnancies in patients with active lupus nephritis were associated with a higher incidence of maternal complications (57% vs. 11%),
rather than **quiescent lupus nephritis** . (35% vs. 11%)



Responsibility

Can we protect the kidneys after hypertensive pregnancy?

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KEY POINTS

- There is an increased risk of end-stage renal disease among women with a history of preeclampsia; those with the more benign disorder of gestational hypertension alone are also at increased risk.
- The development of hypertension, diabetes or both after pregnancy is an important mediator of chronic kidney disease.
- Blood pressure should be monitored regularly after a hypertensive disorder during pregnancy.
- Cardiovascular risk management in a structured multidisciplinary approach may reduce cardiovascular and renal disease after a hypertensive disorder during pregnancy.

Multidisciplinary Team





Thank you

